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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Sir:

The following reply is responsive to the Non-final Office Action mailed September 30, 2008. Claims 1-20 were originally presented. Claims 21-22 were previously added and claims 23-24 have now been added. Claims 1-24, therefore, are the claims pending for prosecution on the merits. Reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application, pursuant to and consistent with 37 CFR §1.112, are respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees, which may be required to our deposit account No. 12-1155, including all required fees under: 37 C.F.R. §1.16; 37 C.F.R. §1.17; 37 C.F.R. §1.18; 37 C.F.R. §1.136.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.